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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE ASAP TO PRESIDENT SADAT FROM PRESIDENT FORD. SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED.
2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

AS I TAKE LEAVE OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY ADMIRATION FOR YOUR COURAGEOUS AND FARSIGHTED STATESMANSHIP AND MY APPRECIATION FOR YOUR WARM FRIENDSHIP OVER THESE PAST THIRTY MONTHS. THEY HAVE MEANT MUCH TO ME PERSONALLY, AND HAVE GREATLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS WE HAVE ACHIEVED IN WORKING FOR PEACE. I PROFOUNDLY HOPE THAT THE SEARCH FOR A LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WILL CONTINUE; AND THE CLOSE AND ENDURING TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS WILL BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED. YOU MUST DRAW
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PROFOUND PERSONAL SATISFACTION IN KNOWING THAT YOUR LEADERSHIP AND VISION HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING ABOUT THIS REMARKABLE PERIOD IN THE HISTORY OF EGYPT AND THE MIDDLE EAST. CERTAINLY THE WARM PERSONAL BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP WHICH HAVE DEVELOPED OVER THE COURSE OF OUR MANY MEETINGS AND EXCHANGES OF MESSAGES REMAIN A SOURCE OF GREATEST PERSONAL SATISFACTION TO ME.

AS YOU CORRECTLY FORESAW, THE SINAI II ACCORD HAS PROVED TO BE A MILESTONE IN PAVING THE WAY FOR FURTHER PROGRESS, CREATING CONDITIONS THAT ARE NOW WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS HOLDING THE BEST PROSPECT IN OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY THAT LASTING PEACE WILL COME TO THE MIDDLE EAST. GIVEN THE COURSE THAT YOU HAVE CHARTED FOR YOUR NATION AND THE HIGH ESTEEM IN WHICH YOU ARE HELD BY THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE, I HAVE FULL CONFIDENCE THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TOGETHER TO PURSUE THE PATH OF FRIENDSHIP. AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, I INTEND TO REMAIN AS COMMITTED AS EVER TO AN ACTIVE ROLE BY THE UNITED STATES IN WORKING WITH EGYPT AND THE OTHER NATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST TOWARDS A COMMON DESTINY OF LASTING PEACE.

MRS. FORD JOINS ME IN EXTENDING WARMEST BEST WISHES TO YOU AND MRS. SADAT. WE SHALL ALWAYS CHERISH THE WARM MEMORIES OF THE VISIT BY YOU AND MRS. SADAT AND YOUR LOVELY FAMILY TO THE UNITED STATES.

SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD END TEXT
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